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# Student Unit Hits NSA Link to CIA

The Towson State College Student Government Association today is considering withdrawing from the National Student Association (NSA), which was exposed earlier this year as receiving U. S. Central Intelligence Agency funds.

The College Student Senate

is considering a resolution that the local assembly "make no additional allocations for dues or other NSA expenses until it is notified" that certain national-level reforms have been instituted.

**STUDENT SENATOR** Michael Ratliff, the resolution's

author, charges that the CIA's relationship "seriously impairs NSA's integrity on all issues and dangerously undermines the entire international program, which includes student exchange programs."

Ratliff also states that NSA "inaccurately represents its views as those of all American students."

**HIS PROPOSED** that reforms within NSA include:

- Recording policy votes at NSA conventions.

- Changing of the preamble of the NSA constitution to read "We, as students . . ." as opposed to the present wording, "We the students of the United States of America . . ."

- That the NSA Supervisory Board be limited to executive functions and be barred from issuing statements or passing resolutions on political issues.

- That the Supervisory Board pledge itself to present pertinent information and panel participants which reflect all points of view when future conventions meet to vote upon important issues.

- That the NSA establish a "watchdog committee" to guard against any further intrusions by the CIA. It would include representatives of the American Civil Liberties Union, the American Association of University Professors and the NSA itself.

**OPPOSITE THOUGHT** also exists on campus, the major spokesman for which is Al Diem, immediate past president of the Towson Student Government Association.

He said that it would be an "awful" thing if NSA were disbanded as a result of the CIA affair. He stressed that NSA is which lobbies for student interests on a national level.

NSA officials, he said, regularly speak for students at congressional hearings and before other government agencies.

"If Towson's views are to be represented, we must belong," he stressed.

**HE THINKS THAT MUCH** of the opposition to NSA comes from "right wing" student organizations which claim the association is "too liberal." They are welcome to state their views at association gatherings, he added.

He explained that a recent meeting in New York City, which he attended, was aimed at "straightening out NSA."

"We have decided to stop sending students abroad to attend international conferences, where, because of the CIA mess, our name is mud," he explained.

Participation in foreign exchange programs and international student seminars will continue, he added.